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Am. Legion Entertainment at Big Banquet & Dance

Col. W. C. Rodman, of Washington, Principal Speaker. Italian Orchestra Furnishes Music

One of the most brilliant affairs of the early winter season was a banquet given Thursday evening in the basement of the High school by the local Post of the American Legion.

The guests included members of the local Post, their wives or sweethearts and Col. Wiley C. Rodman, of Washington.

Dinner was served at 7:00 o'clock, covers being laid for sixty. The color scheme used throughout was red and green. Flags, long-leaf pine and palms served as a background and the long banquet table was artistically decorated with holly, poinsettias and red candles in silver holders. The place cards were ornamented with sprigs of holly and an air of holiday spirit permeated everything. A beautifully appointed three course dinner was served by Misses Dippy Baker, Mae Joyner, Louise Smith and Elizabeth Fields, during the progress of which informal and laughable toasts were given by the guests, and exquisite music furnished by the Italian Serenaders.

Post Commander John Hill Paylor acted as toastmaster and introduced in an admirable manner Col. Wiley C. Rodman, of Washington, State Post Commander, the principal speaker of the evening. Col. Rodman made a splendid and inspiring address on the achievements and aims of the Legion.

After the banquet the gay party retired to the dance hall, which had been decorated with flags and Christmas greens for the occasion. Here dancing was enjoyed 'til a late hour.

Third Flogging in Nash County

Merchant Taken From His Store and Given a Flogging

Rocky Mount, Dec. 19.—The third flogging to be administered to persons in and around Nashville occurred last night, report reaching this city today indicate, when J. Y. Barnes, Nashville citizen, was taken from his store, carried in an automobile to a point in the woods which he claims to be near Wilson, and flogged.

Reports indicate that the flogging took place early in the evening as several men, it is stated, came from Barnes at his store shortly after 6 o'clock. He is quoted as saying that there were seven or eight unmasked men in the party which carried him some distance and then administered a flogging. He is understood to have been brought back to the county seat shortly after midnight and to have said that he did not recognize any of the members of the band.

Advices from Nashville say that Barnes claims that approximately \$300 was taken from him by the band. Whether or not he was lectured or given a warning could not be learned. Barnes is the father of the young woman with whom association is alleged to have been the cause of the first whipping administered at Nashville, several weeks ago to a young married man employed on highway construction work. At that time a warning is reported to have been left at his home by the band.

The second flogging activity occurred about a week after the first when another young man was caught at the home of a woman some distance from Nashville and given a lashing in the presence of the woman in the case, and last night's affair brings the total known floggings up to three.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.
B. J. Slaughter, Pastor

Worship and sermon at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject: "The Advent of the Great Deliverer," evening subject: "God's Christmas Gift."

Sunday school at 10 a. m. classes for all. A. H. Joyner acting supt. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:00.

The public is cordially invited to see the tabernacle and inspiration these Christmas season services. YOU WILL FIND A WELCOME.

AUTO OWNERS NOTICE
and other notices will appear in this column.

Crop Values Exceed Those of Last Year

1,474,786,000 Pounds of Tobacco Are Raised, Being Valued at \$298,936,000

Washington, Dec. 19.—Larger acre yields and better prices generally of most of the important farm crops of the country combined with an increase of about 600,000 acres in the aggregate planted area, lifted the total value of this year's crops \$872,891,000 above last year. Value of this year's crops was placed at \$3,322,695,000 today by the department of agriculture in its final crop report of the year. The values were based on the farm price of the crop on December 1.

Corn is the nation's most valuable crop with a value of \$2,222,013,000. Cotton ranks second with an aggregate value of \$1,768,885,000.

Hay was the only other crop whose value exceeded a billion dollars, its total being \$1,390,967,000.

The value of the nation's tobacco crop was placed at \$298,936,000 with a production of 1,474,786,000 pounds.

Rotarians Have Christmas Tree

Each Member Receives Toy With Appropriate Verse.

A most enjoyable meeting of the local Rotary club was held Tuesday evening with every member present. The club has 100 per cent attendance record for this month by the way.

A good supper was followed by a talk on "Boy Scout work" by Rotarian Walter Sheppard, who is Scoutmaster here. Mr. Sheppard is very enthusiastic on the subject and so his speech was quite inspiring.

Rotarian Irvin Morgan also spoke along this line with the result that the club again renewed its pledge to support and boost the local organization.

After a short business session the

grass committee was announced that they had no program, but that Old Santa had left a Christmas tree loaded with gifts. Whereupon the tree was brought in and the gifts handed out and received with much merriment, for Santa evidently had forgotten that his friends had grown up for each present was addressed to little so and so, and proved to be a toy. Much laughter followed the reception of each gift, especially that of Rotarian Shorty Fox, who received a Christmas stocking containing nothing except a switch and a card which read: "For Shorty Fox, who has been a bad little boy this year," while Rotarian Willis received a toy watch with these few lines from Santa, "Here's some more Time for little Turkey Willis, who is always so rushed."

Georgian Coffin of Tutankhamen Found

Luxor, Egypt, Dec. 19.—All preconceived ideas of Tutankhamen's golden shrine were upset by the sight of his impressive coffin for the first time disclosed in almost its full proportions by the removal of the partition wall when the correspondent visited the tomb this morning.

The first impression of this gigantic receptacle for the dead, its sides resplendent with decorations of blue and gold set against a background of brightly colored paintings of yellow were almost overwhelming. The feeling was of something incredibly bizarre—something that seemed utterly to banish the presence of death in this caquet of wonderful artistry.

One of the first details to catch the eye was the fact that the golden lid of the canopy does not, as one imagines from the view obtained from the opening in the wall, slope down from one end to the other. It rises again at the other end giving a graceful curve effect which is declared by competent authority to be unique in Egyptology. The lid is not solid but hollow cut roofing over a space of about four feet between the first and second shrines. In this space the correspondent was able to see the floor of the first shrine had been moved—a remarkable species of wooden tray of scaffolding erected to carry the immense golden sarcophagus pail resting over the shrine.

A good cow's good investment.

"The Rouse Way—The Right Way" FOR BETTER PRINTING The Rouse Printery, Farmville, N. C.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

Following our usual custom, there will be no issue of "The Enterprise" next week, Dec. 28th, unless something now unforeseen should demand it. In giving our force these few days in a whole year, we do so with a feeling of gratitude for the faithful services rendered.

May this Christmas be YOUR HAPPIEST and the Year 1924 the most PROSPEROUS of your career is the wish of The Rouse Printery, publishers of "The Farmville Enterprise."

You may expect our return on or about January 4th, 1924.

Charge U. S. Official With Attempted Bribery

Warrants Followed Grand Jury Meeting Saturday Night

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 19.—Warrants charging an attempt to bribe against United States Under District Attorney Aubrey Boyles and Harry G. French a federal officer were served this morning and were sworn to by Charles Smith, chief deputy to the sheriff of Mobile county. The warrants followed grand jury meeting Saturday night which returned 112 true bills and which, according to rumors, indicted a county official and at least one city official.

One of the warrants is a joint one charging that Boyles and French attempted to corrupt or bribe R. E. Hunt, a member of the state law enforcement department while the second warrant served only on Boyles charged that he attempted to bribe W. H. Holcomb, Jr., former sheriff and now a deputy sheriff and member of Alabama.

MEETING OF PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Parent-Teacher Association held its December meeting on Thursday afternoon of this week in the school auditorium.

An enjoyable and spirited Christmas program before the meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, Mrs. R. A. Fields. After the minutes the Secretary read a number of letters from the Glee Clubs of different colleges, and it was decided to give several musical concerts of this kind after the holidays.

Professor G. R. Wheeler in a short talk stated the needs of the school library and urged the parents to give appropriate volumes from their own libraries. A committee composed of Mrs. T. C. Turnage and Miss Evelyn Russell was appointed to collect such books as would be donated by the citizens of the town and community.

A prize to the child bring the largest number of books helpful to the High School pupils was offered at this time.

The shrubbery and play-ground equipment was discussed and the presiding officer announced that Mr. J. I. had kindly offered to transplant the trees in February.

In the regular room roll call, Miss Vivian Case's room won the picture for the ensuing month.

KINSTON PLANNING FOR A BIG EXPOSITION

Kinston, Dec. 19.—Plans for holding the Eastern Carolina Exposition here next spring will be made immediately. The show will be the second of its kind. The first was held at Wilson last spring. The exposition will bring "tens of thousands of visitors" here from several states, according to the officers of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, the parent organization. More than half of these, if last year's rule should obtain, will be from out of the section.

Manufacturers in many lines will provide exhibits for the exposition. There will be a large display of the section's raw materials, according to Newell Bartlett, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Farm products will play an important part among the exhibits. More than 45 counties are embraced in the exposition territory, together with a number of cities and important towns.

A parade, possibly several, and musical attractions will be among the entertainment features.

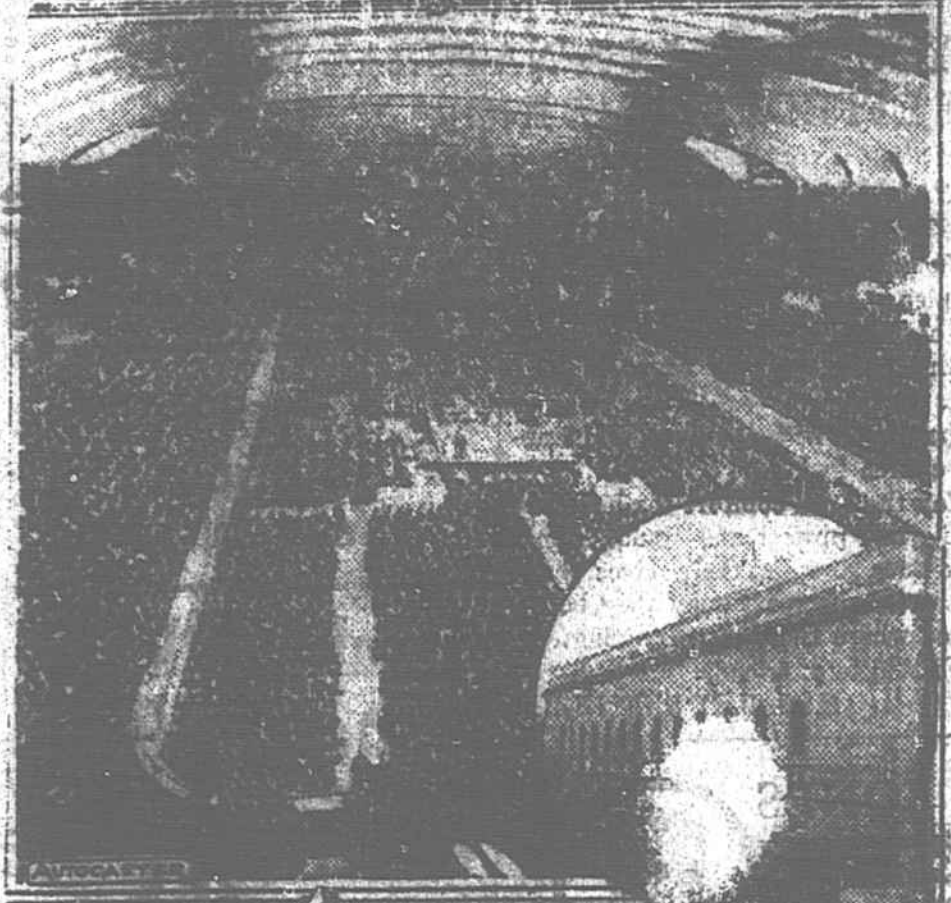
CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday evening, 7:30, will be given the regular annual Christmas program. This year "The Shepherd's Vision." The church has been beautifully decorated for the season.

The sermon and music Sunday morning will be appropriate to the occasion.

A cordial welcome is extended to all.

G. O. P. Convention at Cleveland in 1924



Republicans will nominate their 1924 Presidential candidate in Cleveland's new \$6,000,000 Public Hall. Photo shows interior of hall, which will seat 12,000. Inset is of the exterior.

Picks Coolidge and McAdoo As Winners

Dr. George Pearson Speaking Before Assembly at Wake Forest Makes Picks for President

Wake Forest, N. C., Dec. 19.—Coolidge for the republicans and McAdoo for the democrats are now leading the race for the presidential nomination for their respective parties and seem likely to realize their ambitions, was in substance the declaration of Dr. George Pearson, head of the department of social science, to a mass meeting of Wake Forest college students.

Dr. Pearson expressed the opinion that Coolidge's chances had been materially helped by the favor he won with business interests in his congressional

campaign. Another powerful factor in his favor, the silence of the men was given as a third argument which favors Coolidge. This is so different from the usual politician, said Dr. Pearson.

Cotton Co-ops Mail Checks For \$3,000,000

Twenty Thousand Checks Hit the Mail at Noon Saturday

With the striking of noon Saturday the mailing force in the offices of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association began mailing of more than 20,000 checks—each check in the nature of a "Christmas Greeting," to the members of the association who have delivered cotton this season.

These checks will bring up the advance made on the 1923 crop to 20 cents the pound, basis middling, and

it is the second distribution made on the present crop. More than 3,000,000 is represented by the checks and the mailing department expects that every check will be in the hands of the members within the next three days.

At the same time announcement was made that the association had finally disposed of the last of the 1922 crop of long staple cotton received in the season of 1922 was of low grade staple and it has been exceedingly hard to sell. When the final settlement was made on 1922 short staple several weeks ago the members were advised that every effort was being made to close out the long staple. The accounting department is now at work making out the statements on the long staple and just as soon as this work is completed the final settlement will be made.

MR. A. J. FLANAGAN IS BURIED SUNDAY.

Simple Services Held Over Remains of Substantial Citizen.

The funeral of Mr. A. J. Flanagan, Farmville, was held Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Mr. Flanagan had been in poor health for several months and suffered a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday of last week, his death occurring on the following Saturday evening. He was in his 59th year.

The home on East Church street was filled to overflowing with friends and acquaintances who were in attendance on the ceremonies to show a last mark of respect.

Many handsome and exquisite floral offerings filled the living room. The services were in charge of Rev. O. E. Fox, pastor of the Christian church, of which Mr. Flanagan had been a member for twenty years. The services were short and simple, as he would have desired, for he was not a person of affectation but a man of unassuming manner, a true sincere friend and a fond husband and father. He had been a citizen of this town for nine years.

Mr. Flanagan is survived by his wife, two sons, A. J. Flanagan, Jr., a student at Wake Forest, and Curtis H., one brother J. L. Flanagan, and a sister Mrs. T. U. Lassiter, of Snow Hill.

State Poultry Now Valued at Over 20 Million

State College Offering a Special Course in Poultry Raising From January 9 to 16

Raleigh, Dec. 19.—The value of poultry on the farms of North Carolina is now over \$20,000,000, according to an announcement made here today by the State College authorities in connection with the short courses to be offered farmers of the state next month.

Because of this large interest in the raising of chickens a special course in poultry raising will be among the courses offered from January 9 to 16, the time selected for the special courses in farming.

This course will be directed by Dr. B. F. Kaupp, professor of poultry, science and poultry investigator for the state experiment station. Due to the number of women and boys interested in poultry raising it is hoped that a large number of them will enroll for the course, the statement of the college asserted.

Vanceboro Bank Closed by Rumor

Heavy Withdrawals Followed Report of Difficulties and Merge

Heavy withdrawals following the widespread circulation of reports that the institution was in financial difficulties and about to be merged with a New Bern bank caused the closing of the doors of the Bank of Vanceboro on last Thursday morning according to announcement from the corporation's commission yesterday. Clarence Latham, chief state bank examiner, took over the management of the bank late Saturday.

No receiver has been appointed and one will not be named until a more thorough examination of the books of the bank is made. Probability of a

found to be unsound. Mr. Latham said yesterday. Examiners have charge of the books of the bank, and will make a complete report after the audit has been completed.

"OLD SOAKS" ORDERED TO REVIVAL MEETING

Washington, N. C., Dec. 19.—Recorder Vaughan and Chief Hamilton are determined that all "drunks" be before the court from now on to the close of the Ham-Ramsay meeting will be required to attend each and every service for at least ten days.

"These 'drunks' will not be jailed nor fined but ordered to go to church. Each one convicted of imbibing too much booze will be commanded to report to chief waster of the Ham-Ramsay meeting, his presence and the recorder and the chief notified. If the "drunk" fails to show himself at a single service for a period of ten days he'll be arrested and given a fine or jail sentence, in the discretion of the recorder.

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McAdoo Active Candidate For Nomination

Announces His Candidacy in a Telegram to W. W. Howes Democratic State Chairman, Pierre, S. D.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 19.—William Gibbs McAdoo, war time director of the railroads, formally announced his candidacy for the democratic presidential nomination in a telegram to W. W. Howes, democratic state chairman, Pierre, S. D.

Mr. McAdoo's formal acceptance of the platform adopted by the democratic proposal convention already in the mail en route to Pierre.

The telegram to the South Dakota democratic state chairman read: "Having filed my formal acceptance of the platform adopted by the democratic proposal convention, as required by South Dakota law, I desire again to express my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by the convention and to say that I am willing to fight with and for the people of South Dakota in support of the progressive principals espoused by the convention.

"We shall get no relief from the burdens now oppressing us, nor shall we progress in any direction through the republican policies of stand-stillism and wistfully wishing for these problems to solve themselves.

"The democratic party stands for progress and popular rights. It welcomes the opportunity to do battle for them."

NOTICE

The Post Office Department announces Christmas a legal holiday. There will be no R. F. D. service that day. Patrons are kindly urged to mail early so as to reach parties before that time.

Boll Weevil Fight For Next Year

AGREEMENT TO FIGHT BOLL WEEVIL TO BE MADE AT MEETING TO BE HELD IN RALEIGH

Raleigh, Dec. 22.—Farmers and county agents are beginning to look forward to the 1924 fight against the boll weevil, and investigation and extension workers are preparing for the fray. During the past week C. A. Whittle, in behalf of the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers, has been in Raleigh, issuing data and results on the work of the year from the workers in the divisions of entomology and agronomy of the State College and department of agriculture. Similar data is to be secured from other southern states with the object of issuing a general statement of findings and recommendations when the association meets in January at Birmingham, Ala.

During the autumn, farmers were encouraged by college workers to make an effort to pick the cotton promptly, and to kill the stalks before frost, as this is known to hasten the multiplication of the weevil in the late fall. The presence of the cotton leaf worm in many fields helped in the work of destroying the late-season food of the weevils. These things would tend to reduce the number of weevils to survive the winter, but, on the other hand, the presence of the winter thus far is in the weevil's favor.

For the remainder of the winter some good may be accomplished by a general clean-up along hedgerows, rock piles, ditch banks or barrows, which are near to the 1923 cotton fields. This may help the appearance of the farm also. Farmers are advised to look forward anxiously to the use of the best possible cultural methods for cotton as advised from the division of agronomy.

Preparations are now being made by Prof. Franklin Serman of the division of entomology for a series of meetings throughout the progress term section of the state early in 1924. At these meetings it is intended to present the best proven methods for avoiding or preventing weevil damage, as well as direct means of control by the use of poisons. The rather light damage by weevil in 1923, combined with a favorable crop and a satisfactory range of prices, gives reason for encouragement yet should not lull us into a false feeling of security.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:45; preaching service, 7:30. At the evening service a special Christmas program will be given. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Fresh crisp vegetables every day will help to keep the doctor away.

POST-CHRISTMAS CARTOONETTES

